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23 February 1965

Dear Pat:

I have your letter of 3 February. You may tell your damp friend [redacted] that he will be assigned to the 1st Cavalry Division. I don't make battalion assignments from here, but I will be glad to drop a note to [redacted] to let him know that your boy is standing in a puddle.

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With love to Preot.

Sincerely,

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HAMILTON H. HOWZE
General, United States Army
Commanding

Lieutenant General Marshall S. Carter
Deputy Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington 25, D. C.

3 February 1965

General Hamilton H. Howze
Commanding General
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Dear Mam:

[redacted] Infantry, STAT
has just left his assignment here in CIA as Deputy Chief of our Mobilization and Military Personnel Division for the past 3-1/2 years. He was selected by Infantry Branch to attend the University of [redacted] under the Degree Completion program for the next six months and has a date of 2 August 1965 for availability at [redacted] A copy of his obituary is attached. STAT

The purpose of this letter is to let you know personally that [redacted] has done a superb job for us throughout his tour in what is really a complicated and difficult assignment. He has had to maintain continued good relations with a number of different establishments in the Pentagon and at the same time represent the best interests of the Central Intelligence Agency in its mobilization requirements and its daily military needs. He is highly thought of on both sides of the river -- here and the Pentagon.

You will note that he has had some combat experience, both in Europe and especially in Korea.

I just happen to know he is wetting himself to get a battalion, preferably in the First Cavalry Division -- I also know from experience that every [redacted] who is worth his salt is wetting himself to get a battalion!! In any event, I wanted you to know that this fellow is really outstanding and will do a fine job wherever you put him.

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Prest joins me in affectionate regards to Mary and you.

Faithfully yours,

, /s/ Pat

Marshall S. Carter
Lieutenant General, USA
Deputy Director

Attachment:
Biographic sketch

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That was pretty darn snee -- [redacted] called
while you were at lunch so I read him the letter,
tripping over two parts. In any event, [redacted]
thinks the letter is fine. He said it's just wonderful
and really nice of General Carter, as busy as he is,
to take time to do this -- he's appreciative, and knows
that Colonel [redacted] will be very appreciative.

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